

WCBS-TV Quarterly Issues/Program Report – October 10, 2017

Attached are the listings of broadcast segments and stories that reflect Channel 2's significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

Time period of day, day of week, source and format descriptions follow the first appearance of the broadcast name. Date references refer to broadcast days. All times given are approximate.

Programs

CBS 2 News This Morning, CBS 2 News at Noon, CBS 2 News at 5:00, CBS 2 News at 6:00, CBS 2 News at 11:00, CBS 2 News Saturday, CBS 2 News Sunday - Regularly scheduled news broadcasts focusing on current issues and events.

60 Minutes - Regularly scheduled one-hour weekly broadcast featuring in-depth interviews and reports of various lengths and topics. Sunday, 7 - 8 p.m.

Face the Nation - Regularly scheduled half hour news broadcast featuring reports and interviews with government leaders, politicians, and international figures in the news. Sunday, 10:30 – 11 a.m.

48 Hours – Regularly scheduled news broadcast. Saturday, 10 - 11 p.m.

“Health Watch” – features of varying lengths focusing on health related issues, the latest in medical research and treatments, and other health related topics.

“Money Watch” – features of varying lengths focusing on the latest in the economy along with tips and ways to save money.

Public Service Announcements- WCBS-TV continues its tradition of airing and sponsoring PSAs. PSAs in rotation stem from various organizations such as, Project Roadblock – Drunk Driving Campaign, Komen Greater NYC Race for the Cure, Marcum Workplace Challenge, Brooklyn Public Library, Partnership for Drug Free Kids, Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation, A Safer City, The Make-A-Wish-Foundation of Metro New York, Food Bank NYC, New York City Department of Transportation Vision Zero, New Alternatives for Children, City Harvest, Texting and Driving, Ad Council.

Health: Topics in this category include: Two tenants in Queens contracted Legionnaires' disease; a mosquito sample tested positive for West Nile Virus in Suffolk County and a high school student at the age of 14 collapsed during football drills and died.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 7/18 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a raccoon which has tested positive for Rabies in Woodbridge, New Jersey. The animal was spotted acting oddly along East Smith Street. Animal Control was able to capture the raccoon, kill it and confirm it was infected. There is no indication the raccoon had come into contact with any persons or pets but residents are urged to exercise extra caution. 8/2 Anchor Mary Calvi reports two tenants in the Queens section of New York have been diagnosed with Legionnaires' disease. The health department is now testing the building's water supply and urging all tenants to take all necessary precaution. 8/8 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on seven confirmed cases of Rabies in Putnam County this year. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON:** 7/12 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a mosquito sample which tested positive for West Nile Virus in Suffolk County. The County Health Commissioner claimed the sample collected last month in Melville was the first to test positive this season. Thus far no humans or horses have tested positive for this virus in Suffolk this year. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM:** 8/22 Anchor Dana Tyler reports on the death of a high school freshman 14 years of age, who collapsed during football drills in the Bronx. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM:** 7/13 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports New York City Health Department has advised residents to avoid strenuous activity today due to the extreme heat conditions during the hottest parts of the day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The heat advisory is in effect until 6 p.m. **CBS 2 NEWS SATURDAY:** 7/22 Anchor Cindy Hsu reports that five people were attacked by a potentially rabid squirrel in Prospect Park. The attacks took place near the Parkside and Ocean Avenue entrance of the park. Because of its aggressive behavior, health officials suspect the squirrel has Rabies. Parkgoers and residents are urged not to feed the squirrels and for anyone who has recently been bit to seek medical attention.

Government and Politics: Topics in this category include: Governor Christie called on the Federal government to declare a public health emergency over the Opioid Epidemic; President Trump was in New York for the United Nations general assembly where he met with more than 100 heads of state and government; Mayor de Blasio kicked off another City Hall in your Borough Program and Governor Cuomo signed legislation which requires the Department of Education to post inspection reports online for school cafeterias.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 7/27 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on protests in Times Square last night by outraged New Yorkers who rallied against President Trump's controversial ban of Transgender people from the military.

8/9 Anchor Mary Calvi reports the state of New York will pay up to forty dollars to offset the co-payment for those without insurance coverage to get Naloxone or Narcan. Health experts recommend the use of this medicine to reverse Opioid overdoses which has spiked in the last five years in the United States due to the rising Opioid abuse epidemic. 8/14 Anchor Mary Calvi reports the accused Mexican drug lord known as El Chapo appeared in a Brooklyn Federal Court this morning. Joaquin Guzman has requested new lawyers but the private attorneys are concerned that the government would seize their fees because they were paid with drug money. The judge refused to guarantee the lawyers would be paid. El Chapo has pleaded not guilty to charges of running a drug cartel that laundered billions of dollars and ordering murders and kidnappings. 9/14 Anchor Chris Wragge reports Governor Cuomo signed legislation which requires the Department of Education to post inspection reports online for school cafeterias. The reports contain information on things such as the presence of rodent droppings along with other violations like improper food storage. The new law takes effect in 90 days. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON:** 7/11 Anchor Mary Calvi reports in the last decade there have been 41 thousand cases of Lyme Disease in the state of New York. Senator Kristen Gillibrand is now urging the Federal Government to fully fund research to help combat the threat. 7/17 Anchor Mary Calvi reports Mayor de Blasio kicks off another City Hall in your Borough program today and he is based in the Queens section of New York. The mayor will announce the future site of the 116th police Precinct and both Mayor de Blasio and Governor Cuomo will speak at a health care rally this afternoon. 8/17 Anchor Mary Calvi reports that Governor Cuomo is taking steps to make sure Transgender individuals are not denied health coverage based on gender identity. The state of New York has received several reports and complaints that some insurance companies are denying claims for services typically reserved for one gender. For example, an individual who identifies as a woman was denied prostate cancer screening. The state has sent letters to health insurers warning them to take reasonable steps before denying a claim. 8/28 Anchor Mary Calvi reports Governor Cuomo has ordered flags on all state government buildings be flown at half-staff tomorrow in honor of the 10 sailors killed in a deadly collision. The Navy says it recovered the remains of the sailors from the USS John S. McCain. One of the Sailors, Corey Ingram, was from Poughkeepsie. The cause of the collision is still under investigation. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 8/2 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports Governor Christie is calling on the Federal Government to declare a public health emergency over the Opioid Epidemic. The governor is chairman of the President's commission on combating addiction and the opioid crisis. 8/10 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on the rise of cigarette prices in New York City. The City Council passed legislation raising the minimum price to thirteen dollars a pack and outlawing their sale in pharmacies. The plan was rolled out in April by Mayor de Blasio who is expected to sign the Legislation. The Health Department has said the plan could cut the number of smokers by 160 thousand by 2020. 8/15 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports Milton Mollen, a fixture in New York City government had died. He was born in Brooklyn, served in the Army Air Forces in World War II and attended St. John's University. Mollen had a long career in public service, serving as a judge and deputy mayor.

Mollen passed away in his Manhattan home at the age of 97. 9/12 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports Edith Windsor, the Manhattan woman whose landmark Supreme Court case helped end the ban on same-sex marriage died today. Windsor sued the Federal Government to recognize her marriage to her late wife. In 2013, the Supreme Court ruled the Defense of Marriage Act unconstitutional for preventing same-sex marriage couples from receiving the same Federal benefits as heterosexuals. Windsor was 88 years old. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM:** 8/17 Anchor Dana Tyler reports after the van crash in Barcelona, Governor Cuomo is directing state law enforcement to increase patrols at targets including airports, bridges and tunnels. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM:** 8/1 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports New Jersey lawmakers advancing legislation in response to last month's government shutdown and Governor Christie's controversial trip to the shore. The governor's beach house is in a public park that was closed during the government shutdown. The assembly approved two measures for future shutdowns where one would force the beach house to also close and the other would keep state parks open. The legislature also approved an initiative to pay state workers furloughed during the budget dispute. **CBS 2 NEWS SUNDAY:** 7/30 Anchor Jessica Moore reports Senator Schumer is calling on the FDA to investigate a chemical commonly used in fast food packaging. Phthalates have been linked to developmental and reproductive health issues. Individuals can be exposed to this chemical by eating or drinking something that has come into contact with those chemicals such as fast food containers. 9/17 Anchor Andrea Grymes reports President Trump will arrive in New York City today and stay in his Trump Tower residence tonight before his visit to the United Nations tomorrow. Trump will meet with more than 100 heads of state and government, including France's new leader, Emmanuel Macron. The escalating nuclear threat from North Korea is one of the tough topics on the agenda.

Education: Topics in this category include: the fall 2017 deadline for middle-class families to apply for free college tuition in the state of New York; Chancellor Carmen Farina visited all five boroughs along with Mayor de Blasio to speak to students and parents about the new school year initiatives; and 550 soon-to-be sixth graders will advance to middle school in Masepequa.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 7/21 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on the fall 2017 deadline for students to receive free tuition in New York through the Tuition-Free Degree Program: The Excelsior Scholarship for middle-class families. 9/7 Anchor Mary Calvi reports Chancellor Carmen Fariña stopped in all five boroughs and met up with Mayor de Blasio in the Bronx where they spoke to children and parents about the new initiatives rolling out this year such as the expansion of free lunches to all public school students regardless of a family's income and the mayor's signature education program, Pre-K for All, which provides free pre-kindergarten for all of the city's 4-year-olds, and which is also now expanding to 3-year-olds starting in Brownsville and the South Bronx.

9/20 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on two reports of metal found in popcorn chicken served at PS 134 in the Bronx and students at PS 132 in Brooklyn have reportedly been getting sick eating peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, cheese sandwiches and milk. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON:** 9/1 Anchor Alice Gainer reports Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano handed out 600 backpacks stuffed with school supplies to low income students in Westchester County for the 6th Annual Backpack to School Drive. The filled backpacks were donated by local vendors and members of the community. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 9/13 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports that for the first time in more than two decades, Newark is taking back control of its public schools from the state. The New Jersey state board of education voted unanimously this morning to return control to the city. The state has controlled Newark's public schools since 1995 because of academic underperformance and budget issues. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM:** 7/12 Anchor Dana Tyler reports Princeton University has topped Money Magazine's annual list of best colleges for your money right behind it is Baruch College. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM:** 8/4 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports New York State has overruled last month's decision by the Massapequa school board to keep 550 soon-to-be sixth graders in elementary school, and will instead allow them to advance to middle school. This action stemmed from concerned parents who called on the state's education commissioner to over-rule the board's decision to keep them in elementary school. **CBS 2 NEWS SUNDAY:** 7/30 Anchor Jessica Moore reports on an audit conducted by the New York City's Comptrollers' office which found the Department of Education failed to track millions of dollars in contracts with the New York City Leadership Academy. Comptroller Scott Stringer says the Department of Education shelled out 101 million dollars to the non-profit academy to coach teachers and aspiring principals but the academy has no records to show how the money was spent. The Department of Education claims most of the services with the organization ended in June but it will continue to reinforce and improve the procedures in place to serve the students and schools.

Consumer: Topics in this category include: Sabrett recalled over 7 million pounds of its products including hot dogs, sausages and salami which is sold by many NYC street vendors; Whole Foods is the victim of a cybersecurity breach affected customers who paid by credit card at their restaurants and taprooms and a dry cleaning business in Westchester County closed suddenly with residents garments locked inside.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 7/13 Anchor Dick Brennan reports on a data leak at Verizon of personal information involving 6 million customers. Verizon claimed the problem was caused by human error involving faulty security settings on a cloud server and has since been fixed. Verizon customers are being advised to change their pin. 8/9 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a Salmonella outbreak in Papayas which has led to a death in New York City. Since, July 109 individuals in 16 states have gotten sick after eating the tainted Papayas. Nearly half of those cases were in New York and New Jersey. Federal Health officials claimed the Papayas have been traced to a farm in Southern Mexico.

CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 8/29 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on the closing of a dry cleaning business in Westchester County that suddenly shutdown. The business left customer's clothing locked inside with many residents wanting their garments. 9/29 Anchor Chris Wragge reports Whole Foods is the latest victim of a cybersecurity breach. Hackers were able to access customer's credit card information who purchased from its restaurants and taprooms. The high-end grocery chain did not reveal how many customers were affected or at what locations but did clarify the breach does not affect shoppers who only used the grocery checkout counters. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 7/14 Anchor Cindy Hsu reports on dozens of newlyweds who have been scammed by the same New Jersey wedding photographer. Several couples who have used the same photographer to capture their big day all have similar stories of how they paid and never received any photographs from their wedding day. It turns out the photographer rented out a space from an event planning company in Belleville to meet clients. He left and has not been seen since. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM:** 7/17 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports that a popular ice cream shop in Westchester County has been closed temporarily for operating without a valid food permit by the county's health department who revoked the certificate of occupancy from the establishment. **CBS 2 NEWS SATURDAY:** 7/15 Anchor Jessica Moore reports Sabrett is recalling over 7 million pounds of its products including hot dogs, sausages and salami. The U.S. Department of Agriculture said the recall stems after bone fragments and pieces of cartilage were found in some packages. One person reportedly suffered a minor mouth injury as a result. Sabrett is based in New York and its products are sold by many city street vendors. Customers with any of the items are urged to throw them away and contact the company for a refund.

Crime: Topics in this category include: a 15-year-old was fatally stabbed in history class and his friend a 16-year-old boy was critically injured by an 18-year-old male at a high school in the Bronx; an elderly woman was sexually assaulted on her way to church in Englewood, New Jersey; an arrest has been made in the attempted kidnapping of a 12-year-old girl who was with her mother in a Queens parking lot and the 32-year-old male who attacked strangers and an NYPD officer with a hammer was sentenced to 22 years in prison.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 8/2 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on the 34th Annual National Night Out against crime which is aimed at promoting police and community partnerships. Thousands of community members showed support in the Bronx. Police Commissioner O'Neil and Mayor de Blasio delivered remarks at the 46th Precinct stationhouse. 9/7 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a 17 year-old student who is in police custody for bringing an unloaded gun to school. The student set off a metal detector at Polytechnic High School in Brooklyn Heights.

CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 9/15 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a Department of Education paraprofessional of 62 years of age, who was arrested and charged with sexual abuse and endangering the welfare of a child at a public school in Brooklyn. 8/16 Anchor Mary Calvi reports two individuals have been arrested for the death of a 19-year-old man whose body was found in Massapequa in March. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 7/19 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports the 32-year-old male who attacked strangers with a hammer was sentenced to 22 years in prison. The attacks stopped when two NYPD officers recognized the man and tried to arrest him. One of the officers was hit and the suspect was shot by the partner. The NYPD officer has recovered from the injuries. 8/31 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on an arrest for the deadly stabbing of a Brooklyn man who was killed while walking with his wife. 20-year-old Gary Correa has been charged with the murder of 42-year-old George Carroll. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM:** 7/25 Anchor Dana Tyler reports on a homicide in Queens involving a popular barber in the community. The victim a 32-year-old was shot multiple times and killed. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM:** 8/14 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports a six-year-old boy was slashed by a knife on the forehead at a mosque. 9/28 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on the deadly stabbing inside a classroom at a Bronx high school. A 15-year-old boy was fatally stabbed in history class and one of his best friends a 16-year-old was left critically injured. The suspect is an 18-year-old boy who claimed he was bullied by the victims regarding his sexual orientation. **CBS 2 NEWS SATURDAY:** 8/5 Anchor Andrea Grymes reports an elderly woman was sexually assaulted while heading to church in Englewood, New Jersey. **CBS 2 NEWS SUNDAY:** 9/3 Anchor Jessica Moore reports an arrest has been made in the attempted kidnapping of a 12-year-old girl in Queens. Police said the suspect walked up to the victim and her mother in a parking lot on Jamaica Avenue.